

Trinity Episcopal Church, Collinsville CT
Enriching Our Worship The Liturgy of the Word
Sunday, October 25, 2026
The Rev. Claudia SCHEDA



Prelude

Processional Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #423

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith, Music: John Roberts

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.

4 Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Salutation

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Gloria (S-280)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen

The Collect of the Day

May God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray...

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Old Testament

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

A reading from Deuteronomy.

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.”

Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when

he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 90: 1-6; 13-17

(BCP pg. 717-719)

Reader: Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.

People: **Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.**

Reader: You turn us back to the dust and say, "Go back, O child of earth."

People: **For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night.**

Reader: You sweep us away like a dream; we fade away suddenly like the grass.

People: **In the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

Reader: Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? be gracious to your servants.

People: **Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;**

Reader: Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us and the years in which we suffered adversity.

People: **Show your servants your works and your splendor to their children.**

Reader: May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

A reading from Thessalonians .

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition.

For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ.

But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. (to be sung)

The Gospel

Matthew 22:34-46

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Claudia Scheda†

(A few moments of silence follow the sermon)

Choir Anthem

Beloved Let Us Love One Another

Music: William Dailey

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human (man).

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Choral Call to Prayer

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Words and Music: Francesco Blackmore

The Prayers of the People

Form III BCP pg. 387

Reader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: **That we may all be one.**

Reader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Reader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Reader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Reader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Reader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Reader: Give to the departed eternal rest.

People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Reader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Reader: We pray especially for those on our intercession list

and for those named here.

(pause for the congregation to add their intercessions)

Reader: In your mercy.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, let us pray for St. James, West Hartford; St. John's, West Hartford; Holy Spirit, West Haven and all ministries to, with, and for women. We pray for chapters in ECCT of Episcopal Church Women and the Girl's Friendly Society.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Let us pray for peace in the world:

People: **God of peace and justice, we pray for peace in the world, especially in the Middle East, in Ukraine and Russia, and in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for all in these wars who have died, are wounded or missing. We pray for all who grieve, live in fear, and wait anxiously for the return of their loved ones. We pray for those who protect and defend our country. May your kingdom of justice and peace reign throughout the world.**

Priest: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession *(kneel if you are able)*

Let us confess our sins to God.

A moment of silence for contemplation of our offenses is kept.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the sins that enslave us, and the sins we have done. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution *(all may make the sign of the cross as absolution is given)*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with your neighbors.

Announcements

The Offering

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Offertory Hymn

Before The Throne, O God, We Kneel #574

Words: William Boyd Carpenter, Music: Dimitri Bortniansky

1 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel:
give us a conscience quick to feel,
a ready mind to understand
the meaning of thy chastening hand;
whate'er the pain and shame may be,
bring us, O Father, nearer thee.

2 Search out our hearts and make us true;
help us to give to all their due.
From love of pleasure, lust of gold,
from sins which make the heart grow cold,
wean us and train us with thy rod;
teach us to know our faults, O God.

3 For sins of heedless word and deed,
for pride ambitious to succeed,
for crafty trade and subtle snare
to catch the simple unaware,
for lives bereft of purpose high,
forgive, forgive, O Lord, we cry.

4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try,
our inmost spirits purify:
consume the ill; purge out the shame;
O God, be with us in the flame;
a newborn people may we rise,
more pure, more true, more nobly wise.

The Doxology Old 100th Hymn #380, Verse 3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

All things come of thee, O Lord. **And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

The Holy Eucharist

Use the insert provided for today's Eucharistic Prayer. After the service please return the insert to the Narthex for further use.

Refer back to the bulletin for music texts for Communion and Closing hymns.

This bulletin may be taken home to remind you of upcoming activities and prayer requests. We hope you will keep our community's loved ones in prayer and join us for parish or diocesan offerings.

Communion Hymn

Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus #336

Word: John Henry Hopkins, Music: Johann Sebastian Bach

1. Come with us, O blessed Jesus,
With us evermore to be;
And though leaving now thine altar,
Let us nevermore leave thee

2. Be thou one with us for ever,
In our life thy love divine
Our own flesh and blood has taken,
And to us thou givest thine.

3. Come with us, O mighty Saviour,
God from God, and Light from Light;
Thou art God thy glory veiling,
So that we may bear the sight.

4. Now we go to seek and serve thee,
Through our work as through our prayer;
Grant us light to see and know thee,
In thy people everywhere.

5. Come with us, O King of glory,
By angelic voices praised;
In our hearts as in thy heaven,
Be enraptured anthems raised.

6. Let the mighty chorus ever
Sing its glad exultant songs;
Let its hymn be heard for ever -
Peace for which creation longs.

Closing Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #450

Words: Edward Perronet, Music: Michael E. Young

1 All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!
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and crown him Lord of all!

2 Crown him ye martyrs of our God,
who from his altar call:
praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
and crown him Lord of all!
praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
and crown him Lord of all!

3 Hail him, the Heir of David's line,
whom David Lord did call,
the God incarnate, Man divine,
and crown him Lord of all!
the God incarnate, Man divine,
and crown him Lord of all!

4 Ye heirs of Israel's chosen race,
ye ransomed of the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!
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and crown him Lord of all!

Postlude

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**The Sanctuary Lamp and The Altar Flowers
are given to the Glory of God.**

Celebrating the Worship Service

The People of God gathered in Trinity Church and at home.

Priest	The Rev. Claudia Schedat
Crucifer	Jim Stapleton
Ministers of Communion	Jim Stapleton and Leslie Dehey
Reader	Ann Bierut
Usher	Mimi McGill
Altar Guild	Jan Atkins Ann Bierut
Music	Francesco Blackmore, Director and The Trinity Choir

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER WORSHIP CALENDAR

Sun, Oct 25 9:00 am	Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, EOW 3 Priest: Rev. Claudia Scheda†
Sun, Nov 1 9:00 am	All Saint's Sunday Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Priest: Rev. Salin Low†
Sun, Nov 8 9:00 am	Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Service of the Word Presider: Stan Moraski
Sun, Nov 15 9:00 am	Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Celebration of the Holy Eucharist Priest: Rev. Marilyn Anderson†
Sun, Nov 22 9:00 am	Last Sunday after Pentecost Celebration of the Holy Eucharist Priest: Rev. Claudia Scheda†
Sun, Nov 29 9:00 am	Advent One Celebration of the Holy Eucharist Year B Begins Priest: Rev. Claudia Scheda†

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

Canton Food Bank

Monday hours 6-7 pm	Tuesday hours 8:30 - 11:30 am
October 26	October 27
November 2	November 3

Miriam's Closet

Open the first Monday of each month 6-7 pm (Open November 2)
Open the first Tuesday of each month 8:30-11:30 am (Open November 3)

Care For the Caregivers

Sunday, November 1 @ 1:00 pm our first November meeting takes place

Rev. Claudia's † Weekly Schedule

Week of 10/25 – 10/31

Day	Date	Morning	Afternoon
Sunday	10/25	Presiding at Trinity	Meeting with the Northwest Region team via Zoom
Monday	10/26	Rev. Claudia's Sabbath day	
Tuesday	10/27	Drop-in time at St. John's, morning or afternoon	
Wednesday	10/28	Funeral at St. John's	Trinity
Thursday	10/29	St. John's	Trinity
Friday	10/30	Pastoral visits	Noon meeting with the SJPM organist; weekly preparation in home office
Saturday	10/31	SJPM Vestry retreat	Sermon preparation in home office

I have **many open times** this week for pastoral visits, or coffee/breakfast/ lunch with anyone who'd like to chat. Even within the times marked above I can 'tweak' most of my plans to fit in your visit, call, or pastoral session. Call me directly at 959-799-1515 or email me at rectorstjohntrinity@gmail.com to verify your best time to meet.

Please Note: I am away next week 11/2-7. If a priest is needed during my absence, please contact the parish wardens.

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